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SUBJECT: NARCOTICS: CONGRESSIONAL QUERY: ESTIMATE OF
FRENCH NARCOTICS BUDGET

REFS: STATE 079963; PARIS 3974 OF 16 FEB 1973

FRENCH BUDGETARY PROCESS RENDERS GOF FUNDING COMMITMENT
TO NARCOTICS HIGHLY APPROXIMATE. FOLLOWING ARE BEST
ESTIMATES AVAILABLE:

I. DOMESTIC

A. SUPPLY \$2 MILLION

THIS FIGURE IS FOR NARCOTICS POLICE ONLY; NO
ESTIMATE IS INCLUDED FOR FRENCH CUSTOMS,
URBAN POLICE, OR OTHER ENFORCEMENT FORCES WHICH
HAVE ONLY MARGINAL RESPONSIBILITIES IN DRUGS.
THE FIGURE IS DERIVED FROM A ROUGH ANALYSIS OF
THE STAFFING OF THE NARCOTICS POLICE. IT IS IN
CLOSE AGREEMENT WITH PROPORTIONAL BUDGET CAL-
CULATION ON FRENCH NATIONAL POLICE AS A WHOLE,
GIVEN HIGHER EQUIPMENT AND OTHER SPECIAL COSTS
OF NARCOTICS POLICE.

B. DEMAND \$1 MILLION

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THIS TOTAL FIGURE IS AN EMBASSY ESTIMATE

DERIVED FROM PUBLIC HEALTH MINISTRY (PHM)

SOURCES.

PREVENTION IS ONLY DEMAND ACTIVITY
SEPARATELY BUDGETED BY PUBLIC HEALTH
MINISTRY, AND THAT FIGURE DOES NOT COVER
ANTI-DRUG ACTIVITIES OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
OFFICE OF MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND SPORTS.
ACCURATE FIGURES FOR REHABILITATION AND
TREATMENT ARE UNAVAILABLE SINCE THESE ARE
INCLUDED IN THE BUDGETS FOR HOSPITALS,
EMERGENCY CLINICS, PSYCHIATRIC FACILITIES,
AND PHARMACEUTICAL REIMBURSEMENTS, WHICH
TREAT WHOLE RANGE OF ILLNESSES, INCLUDING
APPRECIABLE ALCOHOLISM PROBLEM. ACCORD-
ING TO PHM INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS DIRECTOR
DR. MEILLON, SOLE PHM BUDGET LINE-ITEM ON
TREATMENT IS FOR SMALL PROGRAM FOR
ANONYMOUS, VOLUNTARY TREATMENT OF ADDICTS,
FOR WHICH FIGURES ON FIRST YEAR OF
PROGRAM (1973) WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE
BEFORE JULY.

II. FOREIGN \$450 THOUSAND

FRENCH CENTRAL NARCOTICS OFFICE MAINTAINS
LIAISON OFFICE IN FRENCH CONSULATE, NEW YORK.
THUS ABOVE IS AN ENFORCEMENT FIGURE. FRENCH
CONTRIBUTIONS TO WHO, UNESCO, INTERPOL, AND OTHER
INTERNATIONAL AGENCIES HAVING ANTI-DRUG RE-
SPONSIBILITIES ARE NOT INCLUDED, NOR ARE FUNDS
UTILIZED IN EEC ANTI-DRUG ACTIVITIES (POMPIDOU
INITIATIVE) OR SPECIAL DETECTION PROJECTS (REF. B,
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